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SECOND SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 5024

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By Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Jacobsen and Kline)

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- 1 AN ACT Relating to increasing fees to fund community traumatic
- 2 brain injury services; reenacting and amending RCW 43.84.092 and
- 3 46.63.110; adding a new section to chapter 46.68 RCW; and creating a
- 4 new section.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:
- 6 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 1.** The legislature finds that over one million
- 7 four hundred thousand individuals receive traumatic brain injuries
- 8 nationally per year, and that motor vehicle accidents are a leading
- 9 cause of traumatic brain injuries.
- 10 The legislature also finds that many individuals recovering from a
- 11 traumatic brain injury need assistance not only with physical tasks,
- 12 but also have unique mental health and cognitive needs. The
- 13 legislature finds that community-based organizations are best able to
- 14 provide prevention services and support that assist beyond ar
- 15 individual's basic physical care needs, such as managing temper and
- 16 behaviors, improving memory, and acquiring new job and life skills.
- 17 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 46.68 RCW
- 18 to read as follows:

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The traumatic brain injury account is created in the state treasury. Two dollars of the fee imposed under RCW 46.63.110(7) must be deposited into the account. Moneys in the account may be spent only after appropriation, and may be used only to contract with qualified community-based organizations to provide prevention, referral, and support services relating to traumatic brain injury, and to cover reasonable costs related to monitoring the contracts. The secretary of the department of social and health services has the authority to administer the funds.

- Sec. 3. RCW 43.84.092 and 2006 c 337 s 11, 2006 c 311 s 23, 2006
 c 171 s 10, 2006 c 56 s 10, and 2006 c 6 s 8 are each reenacted and
 amended to read as follows:
 - (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which account is hereby established in the state treasury.
 - (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or receive funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for refunds or allocations of interest earnings required by the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the federal treasury required under the cash management improvement act fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require appropriation. The office of financial management shall determine the amounts due to or from the federal government pursuant to the cash management improvement act. The office of financial management may direct transfers of funds between accounts as deemed necessary to implement the provisions of the cash management improvement act, and this subsection. Refunds or allocations shall occur prior to the distributions of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.
 - (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury income account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, depository, safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasury and affected state agencies. The treasury income account is subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for

payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

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- (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the treasury income account except:
- The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily balance for the period: The capitol building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory institutions account, the Columbia river basin water supply development account, the common school construction fund, the county criminal justice assistance account, the county sales and use tax equalization account, the data processing building construction account, the deferred compensation administrative account, the deferred compensation principal account, the department of retirement systems expense account, the developmental disabilities community trust account, the drinking water assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative account, the drinking water assistance repayment account, the Eastern Washington University capital projects account, the education construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election account, the emergency reserve fund, the energy freedom account, The Evergreen State College capital projects account, the federal forest revolving account, the freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal account, the health services account, the public health services account, the health system capacity account, the personal health services account, the state higher education construction account, the higher education construction account, the highway infrastructure account, the high-occupancy toll lanes operations account, the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise tax account, the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation fund, the multimodal transportation account, the municipal criminal justice assistance account, the

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municipal sales and use tax equalization account, the natural resources 1 2 deposit account, the oyster reserve land account, the pension funding stabilization account, the perpetual surveillance and maintenance 3 account, the public employees' retirement system plan 1 account, the 4 public employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, 5 the public facilities construction loan revolving account beginning 6 7 July 1, 2004, the public health supplemental account, the public works assistance account, the Puyallup tribal settlement account, the real 8 estate appraiser commission account, the regional mobility grant 9 program account, the resource management cost account, the rural 10 Washington loan fund, the site closure account, the small city pavement 11 12 and sidewalk account, the special wildlife account, the state 13 employees' insurance account, the state employees' insurance reserve 14 account, the state investment board expense account, the state investment board commingled trust fund accounts, the supplemental 15 pension account, the Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the teachers' 16 17 retirement system plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and control 18 settlement account, 19 account, the tobacco the transportation infrastructure account, the transportation partnership account, the 20 21 traumatic brain injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the 22 University of Washington bond retirement fund, the University of Washington building account, the volunteer fire fighters' and reserve 23 24 officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer fire 25 fighters' and reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington fruit express account, the Washington judicial retirement system 26 27 account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and fire fighters' system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement 28 officers' and fire fighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the 29 Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the 30 Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3 31 32 account, the Washington state health insurance pool account, the Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State 33 34 University building account, the Washington State University bond 35 retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving fund, and the 36 Western Washington University capital projects account. 37 derived from investing balances of the agricultural permanent fund, the 38 normal school permanent fund, the permanent common school fund, the

scientific permanent fund, and the state university permanent fund shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts. All earnings to be distributed under this subsection (4)(a) shall first be reduced by the allocation to the state treasurer's service fund pursuant to RCW 43.08.190.

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- (b) The following accounts and funds shall receive eighty percent 6 7 of their proportionate share of earnings based upon each account's or fund's average daily balance for the period: The aeronautics account, 8 9 aircraft search and rescue account, the county arterial preservation account, the department of licensing services account, the 10 essential rail assistance account, the ferry bond retirement fund, the 11 grade crossing protective fund, the high capacity transportation 12 13 account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway safety account, 14 the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the pilotage account, the public transportation systems account, the Puget 15 Sound capital construction account, the Puget Sound ferry operations 16 17 account, the recreational vehicle account, the rural arterial trust account, the safety and education account, the special category C 18 account, the state patrol highway account, the transportation 2003 19 20 account (nickel account), the transportation equipment fund, the 21 transportation fund, the transportation improvement account, the 22 transportation improvement board bond retirement account, and the urban 23 arterial trust account.
- 24 (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state 25 Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings 26 without the specific affirmative directive of this section.
- 27 **Sec. 4.** RCW 46.63.110 and 2005 c 413 s 2, 2005 c 320 s 2, and 2005 c 288 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:
- 29 (1) A person found to have committed a traffic infraction shall be 30 assessed a monetary penalty. No penalty may exceed two hundred and 31 fifty dollars for each offense unless authorized by this chapter or 32 title.
- 33 (2) The monetary penalty for a violation of (a) RCW 46.55.105(2) is 34 two hundred fifty dollars for each offense; (b) RCW 46.61.210(1) is 35 five hundred dollars for each offense. No penalty assessed under this 36 subsection (2) may be reduced.

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(3) The supreme court shall prescribe by rule a schedule of monetary penalties for designated traffic infractions. This rule shall also specify the conditions under which local courts may exercise discretion in assessing fines and penalties for traffic infractions. The legislature respectfully requests the supreme court to adjust this schedule every two years for inflation.

- (4) There shall be a penalty of twenty-five dollars for failure to respond to a notice of traffic infraction except where the infraction relates to parking as defined by local law, ordinance, regulation, or resolution or failure to pay a monetary penalty imposed pursuant to this chapter. A local legislative body may set a monetary penalty not to exceed twenty-five dollars for failure to respond to a notice of traffic infraction relating to parking as defined by local law, ordinance, regulation, or resolution. The local court, whether a municipal, police, or district court, shall impose the monetary penalty set by the local legislative body.
- (5) Monetary penalties provided for in chapter 46.70 RCW which are civil in nature and penalties which may be assessed for violations of chapter 46.44 RCW relating to size, weight, and load of motor vehicles are not subject to the limitation on the amount of monetary penalties which may be imposed pursuant to this chapter.
- (6) Whenever a monetary penalty, fee, cost, assessment, or other monetary obligation is imposed by a court under this chapter it is immediately payable. If the court determines, in its discretion, that a person is not able to pay a monetary obligation in full, and not more than one year has passed since the later of July 1, 2005, or the date the monetary obligation initially became due and payable, the court shall enter into a payment plan with the person, unless the person has previously been granted a payment plan with respect to the same monetary obligation, or unless the person is in noncompliance of any existing or prior payment plan, in which case the court may, at its discretion, implement a payment plan. If the court has notified the department that the person has failed to pay or comply and the person has subsequently entered into a payment plan and made an initial payment, the court shall notify the department that the infraction has been adjudicated, and the department shall rescind any suspension of the person's driver's license or driver's privilege based on failure to respond to that infraction. "Payment plan," as used in this section,

means a plan that requires reasonable payments based on the financial ability of the person to pay. The person may voluntarily pay an amount at any time in addition to the payments required under the payment plan.

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- (a) If a payment required to be made under the payment plan is delinquent or the person fails to complete a community restitution program on or before the time established under the payment plan, unless the court determines good cause therefor and adjusts the payment plan or the community restitution plan accordingly, the court shall notify the department of the person's failure to meet the conditions of the plan, and the department shall suspend the person's driver's license or driving privilege until all monetary obligations, including those imposed under subsections (3) and (4) of this section, have been paid, and court authorized community restitution has been completed, or until the department has been notified that the court has entered into a new time payment or community restitution agreement with the person.
- (b) If a person has not entered into a payment plan with the court and has not paid the monetary obligation in full on or before the time established for payment, the court shall notify the department of the delinquency. The department shall suspend the person's driver's license or driving privilege until all monetary obligations have been paid, including those imposed under subsections (3) and (4) of this section, or until the person has entered into a payment plan under this section.
- (c) If the payment plan is to be administered by the court, the court may assess the person a reasonable administrative fee to be wholly retained by the city or county with jurisdiction. The administrative fee shall not exceed ten dollars per infraction or twenty-five dollars per payment plan, whichever is less.
- (d) Nothing in this section precludes a court from contracting with outside entities to administer its payment plan system. When outside entities are used for the administration of a payment plan, the court may assess the person a reasonable fee for such administrative services, which fee may be calculated on a periodic, percentage, or other basis.
- 36 (e) If a court authorized community restitution program for 37 offenders is available in the jurisdiction, the court may allow

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conversion of all or part of the monetary obligations due under this section to court authorized community restitution in lieu of time payments if the person is unable to make reasonable time payments.

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- (7) In addition to any other penalties imposed under this section and not subject to the limitation of subsection (1) of this section, a person found to have committed a traffic infraction shall be assessed a fee of ((five)) seven dollars per infraction. Under no circumstances shall this fee be reduced or waived. Revenue from this fee shall be forwarded as follows: Five dollars to the state treasurer for deposit in the emergency medical services and trauma care system trust account under RCW 70.168.040 and two dollars to the state treasurer for deposit in the traumatic brain injury account under section 2 of this act.
- (8)(a) In addition to any other penalties imposed under this section and not subject to the limitation of subsection (1) of this section, a person found to have committed a traffic infraction other than of RCW 46.61.527 shall be assessed an additional penalty of twenty dollars. The court may not reduce, waive, or suspend the additional penalty unless the court finds the offender to be indigent. If a court authorized community restitution program for offenders is available in the jurisdiction, the court shall allow offenders to offset all or a part of the penalty due under this subsection (8) by participation in the court authorized community restitution program.
- (b) Eight dollars and fifty cents of the additional penalty under (a) of this subsection shall be remitted to the state treasurer. The remaining revenue from the additional penalty must be remitted under chapters 2.08, 3.46, 3.50, 3.62, 10.82, and 35.20 RCW. Money remitted under this subsection to the state treasurer must be deposited as provided in RCW 43.08.250. The balance of the revenue received by the county or city treasurer under this subsection must be deposited into the county or city current expense fund. Moneys retained by the city or county under this subsection shall constitute reimbursement for any liabilities under RCW 43.135.060.
- (9) If a legal proceeding, such as garnishment, has commenced to collect any delinquent amount owed by the person for any penalty imposed by the court under this section, the court may, at its discretion, enter into a payment plan.
- (10) The monetary penalty for violating RCW 46.37.395 is: (a) Two

- 1 hundred fifty dollars for the first violation; (b) five hundred dollars
- 2 for the second violation; and (c) seven hundred fifty dollars for each
- 3 violation thereafter.

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